Export Earnings

22. SHRI RAM DAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of export earnings during the last two years indicating the target set till date;

(b) what is our growth rate (month-wise)/each quarter (January-March, 1998) and during January-March, 1999; and

(c) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) The total value of exports achieved during last two years and the target set for the period is as under:—

(Value in US $ million)

Year	Export Target*	Export Performance
1997-98	39052	35006
1998-99	38282	33641 (P)
1999-2000	37400	

P: Provisional

*Targets excluding software sector.

(b) and (c) As per the Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics data, the export growth rate (month-wise)/each quarter (January-March, 1998) and during January-March, 1999 are as under:-

(US $ Million)

Year	1998	1999	% growth
January	2625.06	2853.82	8.7
February	2680.61	2818.44	5.1
March	3240.79	3395.66	4.8
Jan-March	8546.46	9067.92	6.1